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**T**HE following Addresses and Resolutions of Condolence on the melancholy occasion of the Death of His Majesty the German Emperor, King of Prussia, Son-in-Law of Her Majesty, which have been transmitted to the Right Honourable Henry Matthews, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, have been laid before the Queen, who has been pleased to receive the same very graciously:—

**A** Respectful Address of Sympathy from the Chancellor, Masters, and Scholars of the University of Oxford, to Her Most Gracious Majesty **QUEEN VICTORIA**, on the occasion of the Death of the German Emperor:

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

**WE**, the Chancellor, Masters, and Scholars of the University of Oxford, entreat Your Majesty to receive the dutiful expression of our most respectful sympathy on the occasion of a great national sorrow, which, while it touches every English heart, has fallen most heavily upon Your Royal House.

The death of that illustrious Prince, whose happy marriage with the eldest of Your Royal daughters thirty years ago was the subject of universal rejoicing, has been an irreparable loss to the family which revered and loved him, and to the German Nation over whose destinies he was, but a moment since, called upon to rule.

What far-reaching hopes and what tender regrets lie buried with the beloved Emperor; what noble and gracious memories are kindled by his name, no one can feel more keenly than Your Majesty, who saw him stand at Your side a year ago a Prince, among the Princes, drawing all eyes to himself by his noble presence and soldierly bearing, which seemed to belong by right to the gallant victor of many a hard-fought field.

And through the last sad months all eyes have still been drawn with a reverent admiration to the spectacle of a yet nobler heroism; which neither bodily suffering, nor the sight of imminent death, could betray to one omission of Imperial duty, or to one impatient murmur at all that he was called on to endure and to resign.

You, Madam, will know in a thousand ways, which we can never learn, how his patient fortitude through that long sickness was made possible by the perfect unselfishness and helpful strength of that faithful and devoted Wife, who owes her early training to your loving nurture.

That God may be pleased to support her in her deep affliction, and to comfort all her sorrowing family, is our earnest prayer.

Given at our House of Convocation, under our Common Seal, this thirtieth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight.

L. S.

To the **QUEEN's** Most Excellent Majesty.

*May it please Your Majesty.*

**WE**, the Chancellor, Masters, and Scholars of the University of Cambridge, beg leave respectfully to tender to Your Majesty the expression of our deep sorrow at the death of Your Majesty's Son-in-Law, the Emperor Frederick of Germany, and the assurance of our heart-felt sympathy with Your Majesty and with the widowed Empress in this great affliction.

The high and noble character of the departed Emperor, his many public and private virtues, his exalted station and his great achievements, have, indeed, rendered this abrupt termination of his career a subject of deep regret throughout all the world. But, besides this, the intimate relation in which he stood to Your Majesty, the affection with which he was regarded by Your Majesty's Family, and the sympathy which he has always testified for this country, and especially by his recent visit to share in its rejoicings on the occasion of Your Majesty's Jubilee, have given him a place in the hearts of Englishmen which the Sovereign of no other country has ever attained. His long and painful illness, borne with consummate fortitude, has been followed by us, in common with all classes of Your Majesty's subjects, with the most anxious interest, and its fatal termination has filled us with the deepest sorrow.

It is our earnest prayer that Your Majesty and the bereaved Empress may be supported by power from on high in this deep affliction, and we further pray that Your Majesty may long be spared to rule over the great Empire committed to Your charge.

L. S.